

BEFORE  
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF  
SOUTH CAROLINA  
DOCKET NO. 1999-451-W/S - ORDER NO. 1999-832  
NOVEMBER 29, 1999

IN RE: Commission Staff Petition for Rule to Show Cause Against Paris Mountain Utilities ) ORDER GRANTING *now*  
Cause Against Paris Mountain Utilities ) CONTINUANCE OF  
 ) HEARING

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the request of the Commission Staff to delay the hearing in this Rule to Show Cause matter against Paris Mountain Utilities, Inc. (Paris Mountain or the Utility). A hearing is presently set for December 7, 1999 at 2:30 PM in the offices of the Commission.

Part of the relief requested in the Staff Petition for a Rule to Show Cause is to allow the Commission Staff to seek appointment of a receiver for the Utility by the Circuit Court. It appears that a hearing is to be held before a circuit judge in Greenville on **Tuesday, December 14**, in which the Court will consider the appointment of a receiver for the Utility as a part of certain relief requested by the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control in a case brought by that Department against the Utility. The Commission Staff notes that it would be a duplication of effort for the Commission to have a hearing on the ability to have a receiver appointed for the Utility when the same matter is to be taken up by the Circuit Court a week after the scheduled Commission hearing in the context of another proceeding.

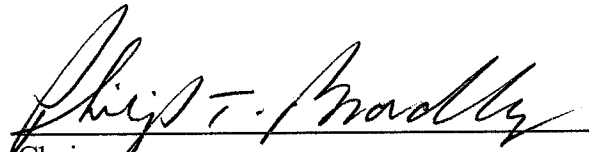
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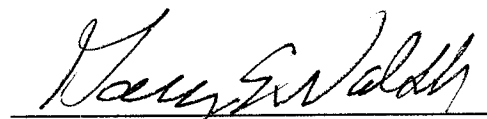
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We agree with the Commission Staff's point. The Commission hearing is hereby continued until further notice. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

  
Chairman

ATTEST:

  
Executive Director

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